

## THE CHIEF GUEST



### **Ms. Padmasree Warrior**

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Ms. Padmasree Warrior is the Founder, President and CEO of Fable, a mobile-first company that brings stories for everyone, anywhere. Previously, Ms. Padma was the Chief Executive Officer of NIO U.S., Chief Development Officer and Board Member of NIO Inc., a manufacturer of smart, electric and autonomous vehicles. In this role she scaled the company from start-up to a successful IPO in 3 years.

Prior to her stint at NIO, Ms. Warrior served as the Chief Technology & Strategy Officer (CTSO) for Cisco until September 2015. In this capacity she was charged with aligning the company's technology and business strategy to business results. She was in charge of corporate strategy, mergers, acquisitions, venture investments, and strategic partnerships. Previous to that, she was the SVP and GM for Cisco Enterprise segment and co-led Cisco's worldwide engineering organization. Prior to joining Cisco, she was EVP and CTO at Motorola. Under her leadership, Motorola was awarded the 2004 U.S. National Medal of Technology.

Ms. Padmasree Warrior has been widely recognized for her creative and visionary leadership. Forbes has named

her one of "The World's 100 Most Powerful Women" for three years running. In 2013, The International Alliance for Women gave her the World of Difference Award. In 2012, Business Insider called her one of the "25 Most Influential Women in Wireless". The Wall Street Journal has called her one of "50 Women to Watch." Fast Company included her among the "100 Most Creative People in Business." The Economic Times has listed her as "the 11th Most Influential Global Indian."

Ms. Warrior has served on government initiatives, industry advisory boards as well as charitable and community organizations. She received the United States Pan Asian American Chamber of Commerce's Excellence Award and YWCA Metropolitan Chicago's Outstanding Woman of Achievement Award. In 2007, she was inducted into the WITI Hall of Fame. Ms. Warrior serves on the boards of Microsoft and Spotify.

Ms. Warrior holds a Bachelor of Technology degree in Chemical Engineering from the Indian Institute of Technology Delhi and a Master of Science degree in Chemical Engineering from Cornell University.